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       Means of Minimizing the  
       Path Length of Trapped  
       Barrel Mode Rays

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
 STATUS [37 CFR 1.9 (f) and 1.27(d)] - NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**

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described in

  X   the specification filed herewith.

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